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## GENERAL FARM CENSUS FOR CANADA TO START JUNE 1st

### Co-operators Rally World Forces for Peace

#### CENSUS WILL BE OF GREAT VALUE TO FARM PEOPLE

Bureau of Statistics Asks Help in Making Nation-Wide Survey Accurate

#### TO BE EXHAUSTIVE

All Officials Engaged in Census Are Bound by Oath of Secrecy

OTTAWA, May 13th.—All Canadian farmers are appealed to assist in making as accurate as possible the Census of Agriculture, which is to be taken on the first day of June. It is primarily for the benefit of the farming industry and if taken accurately will be of great value in the study of agricultural conditions. It is extremely important therefore, says the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, that a complete record of agricultural operations be taken.

The report when published will be a mine of information for all those interested in the problems of the farmers of the Prairie Provinces. It is of the utmost importance that the figures contributed by each farmer shall be complete and correct so that the best possible inventory of the leading industry will be effected.

#### Everything About the Farm

The Census of Agriculture aims at securing accurate statistics relative to farm lands, buildings, live stock, mortgaged debt, etc., as at June 1st; statistics for 1935 concerning crops, live stock products, farm expenses and products sold; statistics of incidental agricultural production, live stock, animal products, etc., on plots of less than one acre, and statistics of vacant and abandoned farms.

There is an absolute guarantee that no information given will be used otherwise than in preparing the Census figures. The individual answering the questions is completely protected. All officials connected with the census are bound by an oath of secrecy and there is therefore no reason whatever why every farmer should not co-operate by supplying the Census enumerators with complete and accurate information. Thoroughly effective remedial policies can only be created when facts are made available.

#### RELIEF GRANTS UNCHANGED

OTTAWA, May 13th.—During May and June the Federal Government will make the same relief grants to the Provinces as in April, Hon. Norman Rogers announced last evening. The Minister reported some improvement in employment figures since April 1st.

#### Gave Life for Ethiopian



Dr. A. J. Melly, chief of the ambulance corps of the British Red Cross unit in Ethiopia, died in Addis Ababa from wounds. His gallant attempt to succor a wounded Ethiopian on the principal street caused Dr. Melly's death. Driving by in an automobile, he stopped to bandage up the wounded man, and was shot in the chest by another native.

#### Big Shots Demand Church Toe the Line

Hearst and "Liberty League" Deny Ministers Liberty to Deal With Social Welfare

COLUMBUS, O., May 13th.—Led by William Randolph Hearst, and supported by such organizations as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the American "Liberty League," the National Manufacturers' Association, etc., an attack is being made on the Methodist Federation for Social Service. The Methodist General Conference, in session here this week, are threatened with loss of financial support unless they set up a board of censors, with more laymen than clergy as members, to rule upon the topics the clergy may discuss. The Federation, who have come out strongly for economic reform, declare that Mr. Hearst and his associates have planned a very definite campaign against those ministers who concern themselves with the economic welfare of their people.

#### LIBERALS NOMINATE

EDMONTON, May 13th.—Last evening Liberals here chose Dr. W. Morris as their candidate in the Provincial by-election to be held June 22nd. Five ballots were taken. No other parties have nominated so far.

#### Editorial Policy

#### of "Western Farm Leader"

W. Norman Smith, editor of the official organ of the U.F.A. from its foundation in 1922 until its suspension in March of this year, sets forth the policy of *The Western Farm Leader* (established to carry on the tradition of *The United Farmer*) on page 4 of this issue.

#### Maintain Sanctions Against Mussolini

Mussolini's hope that sanctions against Italy would be withdrawn (following victory through the use of poison gas over the Ethiopian armies and the occupying of the capital, Addis Ababa), was disappointed on Tuesday, when the League of Nations Council at Geneva decided to continue financial and economic sanctions against the aggressor state until early in June, when the new French Government will be installed and represented at another meeting.

The whole Italian delegation to the League had been withdrawn on orders from Rome on the day the decision was reached.

Meanwhile Ethiopia has been proclaimed a part of the Italian Empire, Mussolini declaring that this action marks the restoration of the ancient Roman Empire in the East.

#### Selassie in Palestine

Emperor Haile Selassie, in order to carry on the fight for Ethiopia's rights as a member of the League, left his capital shortly before the Italian army's entry, and embarked with his family on a British warship at the French port of Djibouti for Palestine. He has since suffered a heart attack, but is said to be recovering.

Prior to the League meeting a gathering of 10,000 persons in London, addressed by Lord Cecil, who acclaimed the gallantry of Haile Selassie, demanded that sanctions be continued.

#### EFFECT OF REDUCED GRANT

EDMONTON, May 13th.—Asked as to the effect upon Alberta's road-building program of the reduced Federal grant, Hon. W. A. Fallow remarked cryptically, "Maybe we won't need money." The same evening, however, Premier Aberhart said that a downward revision in the program would be necessary.

Sentences of eighteen months to two years in jail have been meted out to Germans, in Bremen, for listening to broadcasts from Russia.

### WAR PERIL STIRS CO-OPERATORS OF WORLD TO ACTION

Voice of 93 Million Raised in Behalf of Collective Security Through League

#### HISTORIC MEETING

While Statesmen Hesitate International Co-operative Alliance Rallies World's Co-operators

GENEVA, May 13th.—While Europe's statesmen and diplomats hesitate to give a bold lead to securing world peace, the representatives of 93 million co-operators meeting here recently voiced an unequivocal resolution condemning war and calling on the nations of the world to settle their disputes by arbitration of reason. The resolution was as follows:

"The Executive Committee of the International Co-operative Alliance, representing the World Movement of Co-operation, assembled at Geneva in the presence of the latest European Crisis and the renewed menace of war, expresses its deep concern at the possibility of humanity being once again plunged into the maelstrom of armed conflict with the criminal sacrifice of human life and of all the horrors and destruction which it entails.

"The Co-operators of the World raise their voices in indignant protest against the failure of statesmanship and diplomacy to prevent the constant recurrence of crises which threaten to destroy civilisation itself; and deplore the inability to bring about an understanding between the nations which would lead to the settlement of international disputes and differences by the arbitration of reason instead of by death-dealing weapons of war.

"The International Co-operative Alliance declares its confidence in the system of Collective Security and Peace which the League of Nations is designed to achieve. It calls upon all Co-operators, and upon all people of good will in every land, to use their utmost endeavors to rouse their respective Governments in support of the League and the reinforcement of its efforts to establish Collective Security and Universal Peace."

In the absence of Mr. Vaino Tanner (Finland), President of the International Co-operative Alliance, the meeting was presided over alternately by Mr. R. A. Palmer (General Secretary of the Co-operative Union, Great Britain), and M. E. Poisson (France).

# Wardens of the West

**Alberta Pool Elevators stand continually on guard to protect the interests of the grain grower.**

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## ALBERTA POOL ELEVATORS

### CO-OPERATIVE BREVITIES

The British Co-operative Union has made a grant of fifty guineas to the League of Nations Union.

At a cost of \$465, a trip to Europe in which co-operative leaders and students will participate in large numbers, has been organized by the Co-operative League of the U.S.A.

Circulation of publications of the International Co-operative Alliance has been prohibited in Italy by the Fascist Government. Deprived of democratic control, co-operatives in Italy were dropped from membership shortly after the Fascist Government assumed power.

The American Institute of Co-operation is expected to attract the largest enrollment in its history to its twelfth annual session to be held at the University of Illinois, June 15th to 19th.

Strong protests against the penal tax imposed by the British Government on the reserves of co-operative societies was made in Parliament by members of the Co-operative party in the budget debate. The tax has cost co-operators several millions of pounds since it was first imposed in 1933.

"The record of consumers' co-operatives in Britain and Scandinavia can be repeated in America," declared

the annual report of the Consumer Oil Company, one of the largest oil co-operatives of the United States, in announcing purchases of 1,800,000 gals. gasoline in the last business year.

Representing 100,000,000 members in 40 countries, the International Co-operative Alliance has issued a declaration demanding for the national co-operative movements of each country "complete freedom to develop on equal terms with every other economic enterprise." The declaration, which is an extended document, is described by E. R. Bowen, general secretary of the Co-operative League of the U.S.A., as "approaching the American Declaration of Independence as a document of social and historical importance."

#### OFFICIAL RECEIVERS

Neil Primrose of Vegreville, has been appointed official receiver under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act, to succeed A. W. Fraser for the Vegreville district. W. R. Webb of Bassano has been appointed receiver under the act for the sub-judicial district of Bassano.

Edmonton merchants have been advised that the Provincial Government will not employ "stool pigeons" in an attempt to obtain convictions against merchants who violate the Alberta sales tax act.

## Aims and Purposes of the Alberta Co-operative Council

### Co-ordination of Co-operative Activities in Province Object of Recently Formed Body

Preliminary work in the formation of the Alberta Co-operative Council was reported in an article which appeared in "The United Farmer" some weeks ago. In this article the objects of the Council are set forth in greater detail.

Co-ordination of co-operative interests in Alberta has been made possible recently by the formation of the Alberta Co-operative Council. The Council, in which it is anticipated the majority of co-operative organisations in the Province will take membership, is the outgrowth of a persistent demand for an active central body through which co-operators could express views on their specific problems and farm matters generally.

In addition to meeting the need for Provincial organisation the new Council will act as the Alberta link in the Western Agricultural Conference, a body already established in the interests of the majority of the primary agricultural producers in the four Western Provinces, and if it is later decided that the producers in these Provinces should be actively interested in the proposed Canadian Chamber of Agriculture, it is possible the Alberta Council may take a part in representing producers of the Province in the suggested national body.

#### Purposes of Council

Purposes of the Council, as laid down in the tentative constitution fully set forth the proposed field of activity. These are:

(a) To advance on all possible occasions the interests of farmers' and consumers' co-operative organizations.

(b) To co-ordinate the efforts of the various branches of co-operation for the purpose of promoting their common interests through collective action.

(c) Persistently to study and protect the interests of the membership in relation to existing legislation and to legislation under consideration by the Provincial and Federal Governments, and to assist in formulating and promoting Provincial and National policies for agriculture.

(d) Upon request, to assist member organizations so far as may be possible, in the preparation and presentation of statements, briefs, and other material dealing with problems peculiarly their own.

(e) To publish such pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, or such other literature as may be deemed advisable.

(f) To compile statistical and other information relating to co-operation for the use of member organizations.

(g) To co-operate with similar bodies in other Provinces, and, when desirable, to co-ordinate efforts with such bodies in the serving of the above purposes.

#### Decision in March

The organization meeting held in Red Deer in March was attended by representatives of 28 co-operative organisations, and it was at that time decided that upon receipt of applications for membership from one or more organisations in each of three distinct avenues of co-operative activity, the Council should be set up.

These necessary applications, and others, were subsequently received, and the Council is now an operating unit with headquarters at 500 Lougheed Building, Calgary.

The Red Deer meeting also elected a provisional board of directors, to function until such time as the inaugural convention of the Council. It is expected this will be held during the summer months.

The "provisional" directors are: C. Jensen, Magrath, chairman; W. C.

McKenzie, Lethbridge, vice-chairman; J. H. Rhodes, Brant, second vice-chairman; L. Hutchinson, Duhamel, G. E. Church, Balzac, and N. F. Priestley, Calgary, directors. These provisional directors represent respectively the following commodity divisions: wool, livestock, poultry, grain, dairying and the purchase and distribution of supplies. Provisional directors of the Council have held two meetings to date.

Activities of the Council are financed by an annual membership fee paid by participating units on a per capita basis.

It is the wish of the provisional directors to make direct contact with the presidents, secretaries and directors of all Alberta Co-operative organisations, and those who have not received full information with respect to the Alberta Co-operative Council are invited to write the acting secretary, 500 Lougheed Building, Calgary, for the same.

### Draws \$1,500 Salary Weekly



Freddie Bartholomew, boy actor, who receives \$1500 a week for motion picture work in Hollywood. His father, who enlisted in the Royal Canadian Dragoons for service overseas, and was wounded, overseas, formerly received a disability allowance in respect to his son, but this has now been discontinued.

#### MAGILL'S ESTATE

Herman Russell Magill, who died before the rescuers in the Moose River mine disaster could reach the imprisoned men, left an estate valued at \$39,842.

Neil D. MacLean, Edmonton lawyer, has announced indefinite postponement of the appeal of the former Vivian MacMillan and her father against the ruling of Judge Ives, in their suit against Hon. J. E. Brownlee.

W. F. McNeill, member of the Workmen's Compensation Board since its inception, having been asked by the Provincial Government to resign, Dr. Victor Wright now constitutes the whole Board.

"An old schoolmate of yours wished to be remembered to you, Aunt Jennie; short, fat, with grey hair."

"Hm-m" said Aunt Jennie pensively. "I don't remember going to school with anyone who looked like that."

## U.S. Co-operatives Show 32 Per Cent Growth in Year

National Co-operative Rally to Be Held July 4th to Celebrate First Oil Co-operatives

(Co-operative League News Service)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 13th.—National-wide co-operative business and educational federations meeting here reported large business and organization advance for 1935 and laid the groundwork for continued co-operative progress.

National Co-operatives, Inc., business federation of 11 co-operative wholesale associations serving retail consumers' co-operatives in 21 states, reported a total co-operative wholesale business by member organizations of \$25,438,409, an increase of 32.2 per cent over sales for 1934. These volumes do not represent the larger retail sales of co-operatives affiliated with National Co-operatives or of independent organizations.

After hearing the business reports of joint purchasing arrangements for the preceding and coming years, National Co-operatives authorized the establishment, at the discretion of the board of directors, of a national office for the organization with a full time manager. The business of the organization to date has been transacted by committees through conferences and correspondence.

### Membership in Many States

Eastern Co-operative Wholesale, New York City, was admitted to membership in the national co-operative business organization which now includes, Central Co-operative Wholesale, Superior, Wisconsin; Consumers' Co-operative Association, North Kansas City, Missouri; Midland Co-operative Wholesale, Minneapolis, Minn.; Farmers Union Central Exchange, St. Paul, Minn.; Ohio Farm Bureau Co-operative Assn., Columbus, Ohio; Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative Assn., Indianapolis, Ind.; Farm Bureau Services, Lansing, Mich.; Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Co-operative Assn., Harrisburg, Pa.; Consumers' Co-operatives Associated, Amarillo, Texas, and Pacific Supply Co-operative, Walla Walla, Washington.

A resolution aimed at the elimination of competition between co-operative wholesales was approved. Three representatives were appointed to a National Co-ordination Committee who will meet with three representatives of the Co-operative League of the U.S.A. to work out plans for future co-ordination of co-operative organizations.

Directors of the Co-operative League of the U.S.A., meeting the preceding day, planned a national co-operative celebration July 4th to be held as the Fifteenth Anniversary of the establishment of the first co-operative gas and oil service in this country at Cottonwood, Minnesota. The celebration, falling on International Co-operative Day and Independence Day, will stress the importance of both economic and political democracy.

A "League of Yellow Journalism" has been organized by Harvard undergraduates, who state that their program is as follows: Exploit patriotism; Start foreign wars; Conduct political crusades against those who disagree with our aims and methods; Manufacture misleading propaganda; Eliminate the Red menace in colleges, preparatory schools and kindergartens; Support pension and bonus payments; Publish stolen letters and telegrams.

At the annual meeting of C.P.R. shareholders, Sir Edward Beatty said that the company would not wait to issue dividends until they were able to pay the statutory 4 per cent rate, but would probably declare a smaller dividend on preferred shares in the near future.

## Robertson Family Reunited



Three weeks and three days after the Moose River mine disaster, Dr. D. E. Robertson was reunited with his sons when they drove to Belleville on May 6 and boarded the train there. The photographer has caught them just after the meeting at Belleville, with Dr. and Mrs. Robertson in the foreground, and in the background, the boys, Donald and Graham. Mrs. Robertson, who watched and waited courageously at the mine-head, accompanied the doctor back from Halifax.

### New York Co-operators Have Own Cafeterias

Chain of Eleven Consumer-Owned Cafeterias from Wall St. to Mid-Manhattan

NEW YORK CITY, May 13th.—More than four thousand New York consumers own their own cafeterias, hire their own chefs and managers, scale quality to meet their tastes and pocketbooks and every three months pay themselves a "profit" on the food they have eaten.

Consumers Co-operative Services was organized seventeen years ago. From a small cafeteria just off Madison Square has grown a chain of 11 consumer-owned cafeterias stretching from the Wall Street area to midtown Manhattan. Two new eating shops were installed during the depression, while other cafeterias and restaurants were "going to the wall." At the annual meeting of the members, held recently, the management reported that the volume of business had jumped \$40,000 during the year to a new high of \$434,396.

Boasting a unique labor policy, the co-op. reported that 48 of its 131 employees had been working for their customers more than six years, while 19 had been with the co-operative since 1924. As an established policy the salary of the highest paid executive may not exceed five times that of the lowest paid employee. During the two years the NRA restaurant code was in effect the co-operative paid out \$10,000 more than was required under the provisions of the NRA.

### Kelp in Cattle Ration

Kelp is a large brown sea-weed, found on the Pacific Coast of North America, and on the shores of Great Britain and Ireland. It is dried and burned, and the ashes are largely used in the preparation of iodine; as kelp-meal, also, it forms an important constituent in a well-known brand of cattle mineral and fox ration. Iodine, notoriously scarce in country far from the sea, is now known to be essential to the growth and development of livestock and poultry.

Representing, either in person or by proxy, holders of nearly sixty per cent of the \$38,000,000 1973 bonds of the Beauharnois Light, Heat and Power Company, a meeting held in Montreal recently appointed a committee to act in their interests in the situation created by the cancellation of contracts by the Ontario Hydro Commission.

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## To Consider Plans for Co-op Creamery

Privately Owned Plant at Acme May Be Taken Over—Meeting This Week

Plans for the formation of a co-operative creamery will be considered at a meeting in Acme this week. The proposal is to take over the plant, which has been in successful operation under the management of H. O. Borch, the present owner. William Burns of Three Hills, President of the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool, among others, was a visitor.

Lucien Maynard, Social Credit M.L.A. for Beaver River, has been made Minister Without Portfolio in the Aberhart Government.

C.C.F. forces in Victoria are hoping to gain the seat made vacant by the death of D. B. Plunkett, Conservative. Last October the C.C.F. candidate, Professor King Gordon, secured 6,471 votes to Mr. Plunkett's 7,459, and the Liberal candidate's 6,429.

## Best Agricultural Advertising Medium

A. D. Ferguson, of Countess, who raises Grimm alfalfa seed for sale, writes:

"Am glad that you are publishing another paper, as I considered "THE U.F.A." and "THE UNITED FARMER" the best agricultural advertising mediums in Alberta."

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## By Way of Introduction

### A Statement of Editorial Policy

Our purpose in publishing *The Western Farm Leader* is to fill the gap caused by the suspension of *The United Farmer*, the official organ of the U.F.A.

It is our intention to carry on the tradition of *The United Farmer*, to serve the primary organization of the farm people of this Province; to promote its principles; to enable it through the use of our columns to place its views and policies before the people and describe the activities of its various branches; to promote the interests of the farm movement not only in Alberta, but in Western Canada as a whole, and to support the efforts of the farm people in the economic as well as in the educational field and in that of citizenship.

Having been actively engaged in the work of the movement for more than fifteen years; having edited the organ of the movement from its foundation in 1922, and witnessed the development of its policies from year to year and from Convention to Convention; having been in a position to study the ebb and flow of the tides of opinion and the varying fortunes of the movement, we may, we think, fairly claim to possess a considerable knowledge of the problems of the farm people of the Province.

We believe that it is desirable to keep the flag of the Alberta farm movement in its many phases flying in the field of journalism, and it will be our effort to keep it flying; for notwithstanding the development in recent years of other forms of very effective publicity, we are of the opinion that the service of a newspaper to voice the needs of the farm people is not only desirable but in fact necessary if agriculture is not meekly to accept its present position as the neglected stepchild of Canada.

It is because of these things that we decided to launch upon the present enterprise.

The problems of Alberta are but a part—to some it might seem an insignificant part, of a much larger problem—that of the survival or collapse of Western civilization. The course of events in Europe, in the United States, even in remote Asia, may determine the future of agriculture in Alberta. But events beyond our own borders

are beyond our control, and the influence which we can hope to exert upon events is far greater in the communities of which we have come to form a part than it can be elsewhere. That is one good reason for concentrating most of our effort on our own "day to day" problems. A powerful co-operative movement, built up by the effort of Alberta people, may in fact play a greater role in the determining of events in other parts of Canada than can readily be estimated. And we are inclined to think that an Alberta farm paper can play a constructive role in the enlargement and strengthening of such a movement.

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Our adherence to the principles upon which the farmers' movement was founded remains as firm as ever—in fact it has become firmer with the passage of time; for experience, not only in the earlier days of the movement, but in the most recent, has convinced us that if agriculture is to become a force to be reckoned with, the first essential is that the farm people themselves endeavor to unite their forces and keep them united. This lesson, we believe, will be still more strongly borne home to the farm people in the period that lies immediately ahead.

May we suggest, therefore, that the present is no time for recrimination or bitterness between farmers in any community. The past is past. Let us not be concerned unduly with past differences. Let us endeavor to unite our forces today. To spend time in hurling accusations against one another, in challenging one another's sincerity, blaming Mr. X or Mr. Y or Mr. Left or Mr. Right—this personality or that personality in the farm movement—for anything that has occurred in the past would be the most unprofitable and debilitating of courses. Let us waste no time in such futile occupations.

Where community spirit has been shattered, let us begin to rebuild it; where it has remained strong, let us add to its strength. That is the most important task ahead for those who wish to see a strongly organized farm movement in the Province, able to battle effectively for a square deal for agriculture.

In *The Western Farm Leader*, therefore, we shall not be greatly concerned at this time to deal with controversial

### EXPRESS GOOD WISHES

With the March 27th issue of *The United Farmer*, the U.F.A. Executive suspended publication of the official organ of the association. The Executive regrets that this step was found necessary. We expect shortly to commence issuing bulletins to our local units carrying information of value to our members.

Under a new name, *The Western Farm Leader*, Mr. W. Norman Smith and Miss A. M. Turner, for many years Editor and Advertising Manager respectively, of *The U.F.A.* and in later years *The United Farmer*, are planning on their own responsibility to occupy the field of publicity covered by those papers. We are sure that members and friends of the farm movement will be interested in their effort to carry on in the fine tradition of *The United Farmer*. We wish them well in their new venture.

NORMAN F. PRIESTLEY,  
Vice-President.

political issues. We shall, of course, as occasion may make necessary, discuss public affairs. We hope we shall be alert at all times to resist any attacks that may be made upon the farmers' economic position from whatever quarter, and we shall seek to promote such legislation as may be fair and necessary for the well-being of the farm community. But we shall endeavor to consider every issue on its merits. In other words, our concern is and will be with measures rather than men.

The chief need of the farm community today is a unifying force. We know of none so powerful as the practice of co-operation in the economic field. The development of the farmers' marketing organizations, and the extension of consumers' co-operation in which the farmers are in a better position to give a lead than any other class, are directions in which more progress can be made at the present period in our history than in any other.

For these reasons we shall, in *The Western Farm Leader*, give especial attention to co-operation in all its phases; and we invite all those who are in a position to do so to send in for publication information upon the co-operative activities in their own districts.

We shall be glad to assist the recently organized Alberta Co-operative Council.

The attitude which we suggest will do most to establish harmony in rural Alberta may be expressed in the slogan: "In things essential, unity; in things non-essential liberty; in all things charity." By that slogan we shall endeavor to be guided.

Our success will depend in large measure upon the support which we receive during the next few months from the farm people themselves. We appeal for that support, and ask all officers of the Association, Local and Provincial, to assist us in enlarging the field in which we can be effective.

## Farm People Suffer Great Loss in Death of Mrs. Marion Sears

Former President of U.F.W.A. Passes at Her Home Near Nanton

In the death of Mrs. Marion Lockhart Sears at her home near Nanton on April 29th, the farm people of Alberta and the West, and especially the farm women to whom she gave many years of service and whose cause she championed with ability and deep sincerity, suffered a heavy loss.

Mrs. Sears was born in Kansas in 1862, the daughter of the late Captain Sears who after serving in the Union Army was for a time a member of the territorial Legislature. Married in 1882 to the late C. T. Sears (who pre-deceased her in 1931) Mrs. Sears came to Canada in 1910, where she was one of the first members of the Nanton U.F.W.A. Local. She was elected a Director in 1918, becoming vice-president in 1919, and president for three consecutive years beginning with 1920.

Devoted to the cause of the farm women of whom she was proud to be one, and by personal experience made familiar with the day to day problems of the woman on the farm, she gave of her best freely and in every farm community where she became known, her warmth of heart and her total lack of any sort of affection won for her the affectionate name of "Mother." No leader was ever more beloved by those she served. When she retired from office her devotion to the movement and to the well-being of all farm people remained undiminished, and she continued to attend the meetings and conventions of the women's organization and take a lively interest in the proceedings.

Mrs. Sears' interest in the farm movement and in public affairs was inherited by her family. One of her sons, Snow, served on the Executive of the U.F.A. for several years, and is now a director of the United Grain Growers. Other surviving members of her family are Gertrude of Santa Barbara, Calif., Wilbur of Los Angeles, Col. Warren of Brightwood, Calif., and Harold and John of Nanton.

### New Trade Treaty

WASHINGTON, May 13th.—Terms of the new Franco-American trade treaty, just made public, provide for a measure of reciprocity. France will take more American fruit, tobacco, canned salmon, lumber, radios, agricultural machinery, silk hose, and other products, and will market in the U.S. more wine, brandy, laces, and other goods in the "luxury" classifications.

GRANUM, May 13th.—Injured in a tractor accident on Sunday, John Vanderwerf died yesterday afternoon.

At a meeting of Calgary Conservatives on Tuesday evening, Leader Duggan's plan for the organization of a "non-political" party was canvassed, and local executives were charged with the task of interesting others in the proposal.

### Thinks Farmers Should

#### "Suffer a Bit"

Western farmers should "buckle down by themselves and suffer a bit"; most of their troubles were due to their own extravagances in the past, anyway, said Dr. A. B. Hyndman, Ontario Conservative, in the House of Commons on Monday. The good doctor complains that Western farmers are continually coming down here and asking for wheat bonuses."

## Beloved Leader of Farm Women



MRS. M. L. SEARS

## Correspondence

Editor, *Western Farm Leader*:

It is most encouraging to note the signs of activity toward co-operative enterprise manifest in the Province of Alberta. A fresh impetus has been given our farmers, who seem to realize that in unity there is strength and that through co-operative efforts lies our only future hope.

When we read of the success such methods have made in other countries, like Denmark and Sweden, it gives us great inspiration toward further attempts. Denmark, with her crowded population, entirely dependent on her agricultural products, handicapped with a soil which needs to be constantly built up, has been so successful that a few of her attainments are worthy of mention.

### Some of Denmark's Attainments

Not only has she saved her people from economic ruin; she has changed her educational system to provide real practical benefits that endure.

Their whole political life, too, is bound up in the co-operatives. They override tariff barriers by direct trading of their agricultural products for the finished industrial products of England. Thus the highest peak of purchasing power is attained for both countries and good will is promoted as well. We cannot overestimate the latter's value in the building of world peace.

Denmark depends entirely on friendly trade relations for preserving peace. She has no navy of any kind and only three thousand of a police army on her borders. So the people are not taxed beyond their means to provide for future wars. This seems to be her crowning success—her mothers are not raising boys to be soldiers and girls to suffer the worse horrors of modern warfare.

We cannot expect to put over a co-operative program as quickly as Denmark or Sweden. They had practically only one race of people, no infusion from without. Then, too, they have only one religion. So it wasn't so hard for them to adopt and change into their present state of society.

### Only Hope for Alberta

With the various racial distinctions in Alberta, the many different kinds of religions and creeds, and our inherent attitude toward individualism, we must realize that only through co-operation can we hope to exist, so we must be willing and eager to meet the dynamic changes apparent in this day and age.

Another world war, on the scale of the past one, will be disastrous to civilization. Wars today are fought for economic reasons. In the past, race, hatred, religion, and conquest

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## Government Stands For Peace, Freedom

People's Front Under Leon Blum Will Stand for Democracy Against Fascism

### Provincial Sales Tax

TO SPEAK MAY 27th  
W. Norman Smith, Editor of The Western Farm Leader, will give a short radio address over station CFAC, Calgary, at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27th.

Considerable confusion still exists in the minds of the public as to the new Provincial sales tax, which became effective May 1st. The Act calls for payment of 2 per cent on purchases by ultimate consumers; however, as 1 cent is charged on taxable purchases of 16 cents up to 50 cents, and 2 cents on purchases of 51 cents to \$1, the purchaser pays up to 5 per cent on small purchases.

The exemptions include barbed wire, chemicals for destruction of weeds and pests and for treating seed grain, purchases made by schools and churches, feed for livestock and poultry, nearly all foodstuffs (soap being almost the only taxable item on the grocery list), grain and seeds, lubricating oils. Other exemptions, some of them announced since the act went into force, include equipment and supplies used by transportation firms, farm and ranch equipment and tools, and material produced in the Province to be used in building industrial plants.

were largely contributory reasons, but modern wars are economic wars. So we must build our economic life on peace lines, if we mean to exist at all.

Leaders cannot do this for us, they can furnish only facts and inspiration. The movement must be based on community affairs, contributing to large central units of distribution, capable of trading with foreign people for the goods we need. It is very true we need sincere, in-

PARIS, May 13th.—Strengthening of the democratic, anti-Fascist forces in Europe, support for collective security through the League of Nations, and an aggressive fight against poverty among the farmers and city workers, will be the foundations upon which the new French Government will base its policies.

Leon Blum, leader of the Unitary Socialist Party, which won the largest number of seats in the recent general elections, will be Premier of the Government which will take office on June 1st. Together with the so-called Radical Socialists, who are in fact advanced liberals, and the Communist party, the Socialists form the "Popular Front" of the left which heavily defeated the parties sympathetic to Fascism.

The election resulted in the return of 375 members of the Popular Front parties (Radical Socialists 115, Republican Socialists 25, Independent Socialists 9, United Socialists 145, Communists 81), as against 101 for the parties of the Right, and 137 for the parties of the Centre. The French farmers gave strong support to the Popular front candidates.

The result is regarded as a victory of international importance for the forces seeking to maintain world peace.

spired, courageous leaders, but more than that, we need a courageous, sincere, and up-to-the-minute citizenry. I am very confident we are finding both in this Province.

CORA J. KERNS

Acme, Alberta.

## PRAIRIE FARMERS' PLIGHT STRESSED BY SASK. LEADER

Coldwell Praises Tariff Reductions But Condemns Increase in Sales Tax

### INTEREST JUGGERNAUT

Nanaimo Member Asks Why Farm Implements Prices Again Raised

By WILFRID EGGLESTON  
Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

OTTAWA, May 13th.—C.C.F. members took a prominent part in the budget debate. Angus MacInnis, of Vancouver, seconded by T. C. Douglas, Weyburn, moved a "want of confidence" motion on the ground that the budget was quite inadequate to meet the present acute situation in Canada. The amendment recognized the usefulness of the tariff reductions, but it deplored the increase in the sales tax, as bearing heavily on the masses. It also regretted that the Government had not seen fit to lessen present inequalities of income by further levies on the larger incomes. It also advised capital levies for the reduction of the national debt.

The criticism common to all budget speeches by C.C.F. members was that it was a reactionary "sound money" budget with few Liberal principles evident in it. Angus MacInnis called it "the most 'Tory' budget we have ever listened to."

#### Reviews Farm Problem

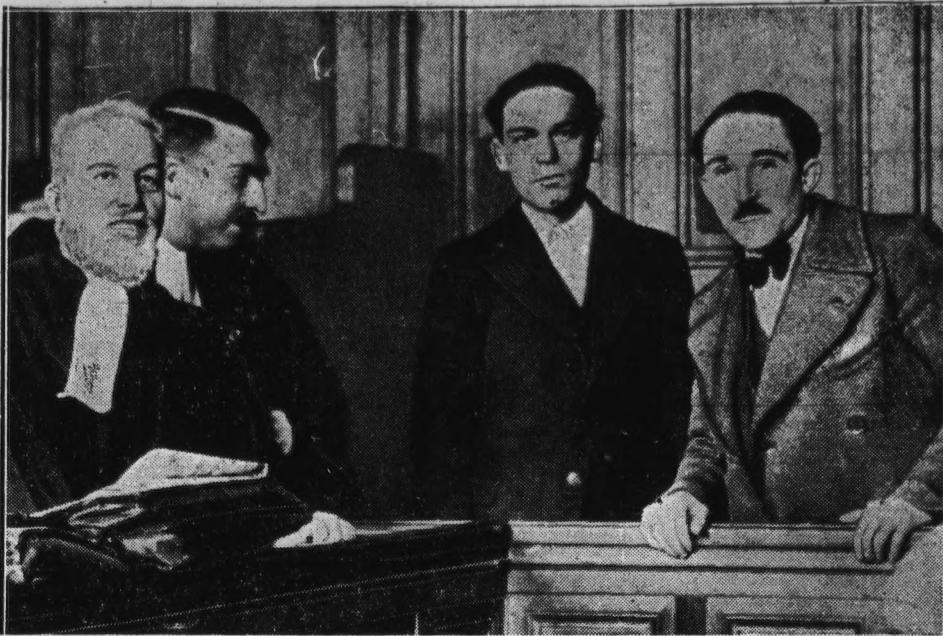
M. J. Coldwell again made an able presentation of facts and views to the House, bolstering up the good opinion he has already won. In moderate and reasonable language he praised the tariff reductions and scored the increases in sales tax. The Rosetown-Biggar member reviewed the agricultural situation in Western Canada, and was apprehensive that a return to normal conditions in the United States would make the problem of finding a market for Canadian produce all the greater.

The Saskatchewan C.C.F. leader called attention to the plight of prairie farmers: "Our producers need blankets, boots, clothing, cutlery and a multitude of other things. One has but to travel and visit the homes of the producers to find that what I have said is abundantly evident. In Great Britain and other European countries there are people who are unemployed and who could make these goods. They are underfed because they are unemployed."

"Germany, Great Britain and other countries need wheat, beef, butter, pork, fruit and so on. 'Oh,' some one says, 'if we attempted to exchange their commodities for ours, we would close our factories.' Well, gentlemen, the factories are closed now. It is true that we face a dilemma; I realize it."

Mr. Coldwell then went on to

## Man They Attacked Will be France's Next Premier



Two French Royalists were recently sentenced to jail for a murderous attack upon Leon Blum, leader of the French Socialists. The attack was made in a Paris street by a large group of Royalists. The intervention of some bricklayers who left their work to repel it probably saved M. Blum's life. Now, as the leader of the largest group in the Popular Front returned this month to the French Parliament

in the new elections, in opposition to the Fascist forces, Blum will become the Premier of France. Leon Andurand, seen at the right of the photo, and Louis Courtois (2nd from right) are pictured in the dock in Paris just before they were sentenced for their part in the February 13th attack on Blum. Courtois was given three months, while Andurand got 15 days.

### U.F.A. Stands for Repeal of Section 98

By authority of the U.F.A. Executive, Vice-President Priestley attended the important conference of the Canadian Citizens Defence Movement held in Calgary to take appropriate steps towards bringing about the repeal by the Dominion Parliament of Section 98 of the Criminal Code, which is a grave infringement upon the liberties of all Canadians. Mr. Priestley set forth the position taken by successive U.F.A. Conventions, which have on many occasions called for the repeal of this section of the code, adopted by Parliament in 1919.

point out that we face that dilemma because of our failure to plan intelligently the economic life of this country. "Sooner or later," he concluded, "we shall have to make a choice, and to my mind the choice will be between the encouragement of native, natural industries in Canada, and the continued encouragement of tariff-nurtured ventures which are monopolistic and powerful and have sheltered themselves behind tariff barriers of various kinds."

**Juggernaut of Interest**  
J. S. Taylor, C.C.F. member for Nanaimo, attacked the problem of interest burdens. He called attention to the fact that interest on the national debt absorbed 36 per cent of the country's revenue. He claimed

that interest contravened the laws of nature and of God.

"The squirrel does not get interest on the nuts he stores in the hollow of the tree. The camel does not get interest on the fat he stores in his hump or in the water he stores in the cells of his stomach lining. The butter-tail sheep does not get interest on the fat it stores in its tail," Mr. Taylor asserted. "I can discover nothing to justify humanity in prostrating itself before the Juggernaut of interest, that Juggernaut which humanity itself has so laboriously constructed. Interest must go."

#### Farm Implement Prices

Aside from the budget debate, there are a number of matters pending of considerable interest to the western farmer. The agricultural committee is probing the reason why farm implements are today about 150 per cent of the cost in 1913, and why it was necessary to raise them again at the beginning of this year. The wheat marketing committee has recommended to the Government the creation of some impartial and outstanding body—presumably a royal commission—to go into the whole long-range question of finding an outlet for Canada's wheat crops.

Authorities here are afraid that a serious problem must be solved by world exporting nations, of which Canada is the chief. World import requirements in recent years have fallen to the level of 500 to 525 million bushels. This quantity can be supplied by the North American continent alone in a year of bountiful harvest, and with Australia and the Argentine, possibly Russia also, in the market there is apprehension of another world glut unless something is done. The present Government is opposed to curtailment of production until at least every possible loophole for expansion of sales abroad has been explored.

American farmers sold \$469,000,000 worth of farm produce in February of this year, according to the U.S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This figure shows a gain, year by year, since 1933, when total farm sales amounted to \$257,000,000.

Nebraska Farmer's Union bought farm supplies valued at \$250,000,000 co-operatively in a one-year period.

### Effect on Co-ops of Codes and Licensing

Recently the U.F.A. Executive discussed the effect of new Provincial legislation concerning codes and licensing upon the operation of Co-operative Associations and U.F.A. Locals engaged in co-operative activities. A memorandum on the subject was drawn up, with a view to the protection of the interests of the co-operative movement. Mr. Brownlee was asked to present the case of the co-operatives to the Alberta Government.

**REDUCES MOISTURE CONTENT**  
The only rotary salt drier operated in Western Canada was installed recently by Shanahan Chemicals, Limited, in Vancouver. It reduces the moisture content of dairy salt to a small fraction of one per cent.

### Stand for Public Ownership of Broadcasting Is Taken

Reaffirmation of the stand taken by the U.F.A. Executive in 1932, in favor of a properly organized national broadcasting system, with public ownership along the lines proposed by the Aird Commission and the Canadian Radio League, was expressed by the Executive of the Association when the matter was brought before it recently.

Exercise by the Commission of all necessary authority and power to control and co-ordinate broadcasting in Canada, was urged, and the Dominion Government was asked to make available either by direct grant or by authorizing borrowing powers on the part of the Commission, of sufficient capital for the carrying on of their work. It was also urged that every care should be taken to build up a satisfactory system, with due recognition of the fact that many high-powered stations in the United States, some with excellent programs, have wave-lengths very close to those of the Canadian stations. This is a matter of importance to all radio users, and especially to farm people.

The Canadian Pacific Railway recently repaid the balance of the \$60,000,000 loan guaranteed by the Federal Government in 1933.

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## Alberta Legislation and the Alberta Farmer

By Hon. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.

### FIRST ARTICLE

#### Repeal of Agricultural Stabilization Act—Farmer-Debtor's Position Today

We are fortunate in being able to place at the service of our readers a series of important articles on legislation from the farmers' standpoint, prepared for *The Western Farm Leader* by the Hon. J. E. Brownlee, who writes from the most profound knowledge gained by long administrative and legal experience.

Mr. Brownlee will first deal with the effects of legislation passed at the recent session of the Alberta Legislature. In this issue he discusses the position of the farmer-debtor.

I have found that considerable attempted or proposed between the first day of August, and the thirtieth day of April next ensuing, or in lieu of the horses or mules, one tractor; "(dd) One automobile or one motor truck used for agricultural purposes which has been in use for not less than one year and which does not exceed four hundred dollars in value;

"(e) The harness necessary for six animals, one wagon, one buggy or democrat, one disc or cultivator, one mower, one breaking plough, one gang plough, one set of harrows, one horse rake, cream separator, one binder, one set of sleighs and one seed drill;

"(h) Seed grain sufficient to seed all his land under cultivation not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres, at the rate of two bushels per acre, and as selected by the execution debtor and fourteen bushels of potatos;

"(i) The homestead of an execution debtor actually occupied by him, provided the same be not more than one hundred and sixty acres; in case it be more the surplus may be sold subject to any lien or incumbrance thereon."

#### Difficult to Estimate

It is very difficult of course to estimate the practical advantages of that act. It has been praised and it has been condemned. No statistics are available to show in how many cases it prevented seizures that would otherwise have been made. For reasons that no doubt seemed to them perfectly good, the members at the last session repealed this act.

No other change has been made. The Debt Adjustment Act is still in force and the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement Act is still operative. A pamphlet issued by the Attorney General's Department on the Statutes and Rules relating to Debt Adjustment has just come to my attention. It sets out in an admirable way the laws of the Province on this subject, and can no doubt be obtained by a letter to the Attorney-General or the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Notwithstanding the repeal of the Agricultural Stabilization Act, the exemptions allowed a farmer are quite generous and as this information should be in the hands of every farmer, I quote that part of the pamphlet which set out the provisions of the Exemptions Act in so far as it affects the farmer:

#### Exemptions Allowed by Act

The following real and personal property comprises the exemptions allowed by the act:

"(a) The necessary and ordinary clothing of himself and his family;

"(b) Furniture, household furnishings, dairy utensils, swine and poultry to the value of five hundred dollars;

"(c) Grain, flour, vegetables or meat, whether prepared for use or on foot, or any of them, as will be sufficient when converted into cash to provide food for the execution debtor and his family until the next ensuing harvest;

"(d) Six horses or mules, or any six of them, six cows, six sheep, four pigs and fifty domestic fowls besides the animals the execution debtor may have chosen to keep as necessary food for himself and his family and food for the same for the months of November, December, January, February, March and April or for such of those months or parts thereof as may follow the date of seizure or attempted or proposed seizure, provided such seizure be made,

### Legal Department of U.F.A. Gives Help to Scores of Farmers

#### Filling Questionnaire Will Enable Debtor to Learn His Rights

Largely as a result of the articles written by Hon. J. E. Brownlee in *The United Farmer* (and now being continued in *The Western Farm Leader*) the legal department of the U.F.A. has been of service to some scores of farmers who are being pressed by their creditors.

The department will upon request forward to any farmer who is contemplating an approach to the officials of the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement Act a questionnaire which, when filled in, will enable the department to advise the debtor of his rights, and of the possibility of securing a reduction of debt or interest charges, extension of time or other desirable assistance under the act above mentioned or the Alberta Debt Adjustment Act.

Sentence of sixty years on each count was passed on William Mahan, who pled guilty at Tacoma, Wash., to charges of kidnapping, conspiring to kidnap, and conspiracy to kidnap in connection with the abduction of George Weyerhaeuser. The sentences will run concurrently.

The usual quarterly dividends will be paid during the next two weeks by the Bank of Montreal (\$2 per share); the Bank of Toronto (at the rate of 10 per cent per year); the Canadian Bank of Commerce (at the rate of 8 per cent per year); and the Royal Bank (at the rate of 8 per cent per year).

### Co-ops Lead in Vast Attempt to Electrify Rural Areas, U.S.A.

Ten Year Program Approved by Congress Provides for Outlay of \$410,000,000

(Co-operative League News Service)

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 13th.—The House of Representatives has approved the Norris-Rayburn bill providing for the appropriation of \$410,000,000 for a ten year program of rural electrification. The House revision of the bill, also approved by the Senate, authorized the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to lend not to exceed \$50,000,000 to the Rural Electrification Administration during the year ending June 30th, 1937, and \$40,000,000 each year for the nine succeeding years. The measure continues the work of the REA which was established in May, 1935.

In its first ten months the REA approved rural electric projects costing \$8,000,000 which will bring electric light and power for the first time to 27,000 farm homes. Applications for funds and specifications are pending on several hundred additional projects which are the first steps to bring electricity to 85 per cent of American farms which are not now provided with this service.

Shortly after the creation of the REA, Morris Cooke, Administrator, declared that he expected that distribution of funds would be made according to present light and power development in which 95 per cent of the industry is privately owned. To date more than 60 per cent of the applications for funds and 50 per cent of the allotments have been made to co-operatives organized by farmers who intend to distribute electric light and power for themselves.

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### Co-operative Brotherhood Essence of Christianity

Dr. Kelloway Describes Movement in Britain and Sweden in Radio Address

"Christianity in its very essence is co-operative brotherhood—if it has not resulted in that it is because it has been wrongly taught," declared Rev. Dr. W. F. Kelloway of Knox United Church, Calgary, in a recent address over radio station CFCN. "It is possible that the co-operative movement may be more truly Christian than the churches—not, however, if it is only materialistically minded and not if it is not truly co-operative."

Dr. Kelloway gave a comprehensive survey of the development of the co-operative movement in Sweden and Great Britain where the societies also helped in the effort to realize the larger aims and ideals of world brotherhood.

Copies of the important series of broadcasts given by Dr. Kelloway recently may be obtained for 5 cents each to cover costs, from Mrs. Craigen, 106 President Apartments, Calgary. Listeners who have heard the broadcasts are urged to write to the station (CFCN), as if the interest is shown to have been sufficiently widespread, there is a possibility of their revival later in the year.

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## Current News from Far and Near

### PROVINCIAL

Kinuso was completely inundated last week by flood waters of the Swan River.

Refunding of the Provincial debt will be under way by the end of June, declared Premier Aberhart in Calgary on Saturday.

A cairn in memory of "Kootenai" Brown, first settler in the district, will be unveiled in Waterton Lakes Park this summer.

The Federal grant to Alberta of \$400,000 for relief-work highway construction would be "practically no help at all," declared Premier Aberhart.

Heavy rains over the week-end again delayed seeding in Northern Alberta. Strong gales blew in the south, but no damage from dust storms was reported.

A larger population would not be found to be the solution to Canada's financial problems, declared Hon. Chas. Stewart, former Minister of the Interior, in an interview in Calgary.

Taxation of interest as a means of raising funds for basic dividend payments was advocated by H. O. Haslam, M.L.A., in a speech at Nanton, and again in a press interview.

Drivers' licenses have brought in so far only about one-third of the revenue that was anticipated by the Government, according to a statement of the Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Following a collision between a car and a motor-cycle in which George Bell, of Calgary, was fatally hurt, the driver of the car, R. M. Reid, was remanded on a charge of manslaughter.

Plans to install a salt refining plant at the salt beds near Waterways are being made by the Industrial Minerals, Ltd. Officials state that the plant will have a maximum capacity of 100 tons daily.

The railway train crew were exonerated by a coroner's jury from responsibility for the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dwan, of Lacombe, following a collision between their truck and the train on May 3rd.

Delegates from miners' unions in Alberta and eastern B.C. agreed, at a conference in Calgary early this week, to unite under charters from the United Mine Workers of America. About 7,000 miners will be affected.

A scheme for the marketing of Alberta cattle through a central marketing company, with depots in Calgary and Edmonton, and finishing them for export through organized feeding associations, has been announced by Hon. W. N. Chant.

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In bad health for some time, Mrs. Julius Sheetz, wife of a Sunnybrook farmer, sent her children out to their father and shot herself.

### DOMINION

R. J. Cromie, publisher of the Vancouver Sun, died suddenly on Monday.

The Emden, first German warship to enter the St. Lawrence since 1914, visited Montreal and Quebec this week.

After being trapped in a mine in the Nelson, B.C., district for six and a half hours, Harry Larson was rescued.

The eighth relief strike trekker to be sentenced in the trials proceeding at Regina, S. McKinnon, will serve seven months on a charge of rioting, with another sentence, to run concurrently, for contempt of court.

"If we used a net, there wouldn't be anything to the act," declared J. W. Conklin, midway owner, after the death of a 25-year-old aerial performer, who was hurled 80 feet to the ground when a rope broke during a performance in Kitchener, Ontario.

Survey of broadcasting stations in Canada, long-term planning and coordination of radio facilities under a public corporation, with a board of nine directors to replace the present radio commission, was advocated before a House of Commons committee by Alan Plaunt, on behalf of the Radio League.

British prisons now house 130,000 fewer prisoners than in 1910.

Manchester, England, is preparing to spend \$496,500 on aerial defence.

Another Labor victory was won in the by-election in Peckham, London, last week.

The French Government has decided to export an additional 30,000 tons of wheat.

Floods, following an outbreak of influenza, are causing severe hardship at Fort Yukon, Alaska.

The fifth attempt to scale Mount Everest is being made by a party of Englishmen this month.

The Kasper quadruplets, of Passaic, N.J., born on Saturday, were reported on Tuesday to be doing well.

A general exodus is taking place from northwestern Brazil, prolonged drought having brought about famine conditions.

It was the use of poison gas by the Italian forces that broke down Ethiopian morale, declared Haile Selassie in an interview at Jerusalem.

A report from Geneva states that an important conference of Italian and German representatives took place in Berlin on Monday, the day before Italy walked out of the League meeting.

An investigation is being made into a suspected "leak" from the British Cabinet, leading to taking out of insurance against increased income tax. Leslie Thomas, son of the Colonial Secretary, was subjected to close questioning.

## Along the Road

By SYDNEY MAY

Long, long ago, the world was wide,  
And eager were my feet,  
While there seemed naught to check my stride  
And all my dreams were sweet.  
The distance did not seem so far,  
And though I walked alone,  
Why I could reach the highest star,  
And do it on my own.

But somehow as I went my way,  
The distance longer seemed,  
The journey wasn't quite the gay  
Adventure that I dreamed.  
The hills grew difficult to make,  
And harder grew the road;  
But no one came along to take  
A portion of my load.

But like so many more was I,  
Cocksure of my own strength,  
That on my own I could get by  
The whole darn journey's length.  
Now, full of weariness, I start  
The downgrade to the end,  
Knowing right well the stoutest heart  
On life's road needs a friend.

It is estimated by searchers in the ruins of Addis Ababa that 800 lives were lost in the rioting following Emperor Haile Selassie's flight from the city.

Labor members of the British House of Commons protested against the vote of over \$2,000,000 annually for the King's civil list as "lavish expenditure."

The new vault at Fort Knox, Kentucky, which will hold six billion dollars' worth of gold—more than half the American supply—is nearing completion.

A strike of tobacco workers at Salonia has been settled by granting of wage increases. More than 20 strikers were killed on Saturday by gunfire from police.

The persons named by the late King Fuad as regents have been rejected by the Egyptian Parliament, and others appointed to rule jointly with the young King Farouk.

Hand-to-hand fighting between spectators and paraders broke out several times during the march through Vienna on Sunday of the Freiheit-Bund—a Fascistic private army.

The non-profit business of the Pacific Supply Co-operative organized a little more than a year ago in Washington state, ran for the first year to nearly a million dollars.

Amy Johnson Mollison, having made a record flight from London to Cape-town—3 days, 6 hours and 20 minutes—reached Juba, in Kenya colony, on Tuesday evening on the return trip.

Manuel Azana, representing a consolidation of Leftist forces opposed to Fascism, was elected to the presidency of Spain on Monday, and has designated Santiago Quiroga as premier.

Unfavorable weather in April has caused wheat authorities to reduce their estimate of the U.S. winter wheat crop to 463,477,000 bushels—6 per cent less than the previous estimate.

Following the example of California, the State of Colorado are refusing admission to people without money or means of support. Armed guards are searching automobiles—and all trains except the first class passenger limiteds—and on the first day of the blockade turned back 70 persons, including 14 train passengers.

Production in the U.S. increased 43 per cent from 1932 to 1935, while the number of persons engaged in industry increased only 28 per cent, according to figures of the Department of Labor at Washington.

A survey of the international wheat situation, made by experts in the London *Financial News*, states that the wheat glut has to a large extent disappeared. They estimate that Canada's surplus at August 1st will be 100,000,000 bushels.

A despatch from London states that Great Britain has sent a questionnaire to Germany, asking if she will include Soviet Russia, Latvia and Estonia in her proposed non-aggression pact. Germany, it is stated, will refuse to discuss the subject.

Relief recipients in New Jersey must accept any job at any pay that is offered to them, or go to the poor-house. The mayor of Mount Holly, a mill town in that State, said: "It outrages my banker's conscience that \$10,000 a month has been spent for relief."

Adolf Hitler is described as "a complex, baffling and unaccountable personality; a neurotic at variance with himself; an exhibitionist; a semi-crazy mystic in some respects and a clear-headed unscrupulous politician in others" by A. C. Cummings, special correspondent to *The Calgary Herald*.

Chinese employed in Shanghai worked on an average of about ten hours a day in 1934, according to figures published by the Bureau of Social Affairs of the municipality; the daily wage, in Canadian money, averaged from 9 cents in the silk industry to 41 cents in the shipbuilding trades.

The results of the party primaries in California last week would show that support of the Hearst press is not an asset to political candidates there. Governor Landon, strongly supported by Hearst, lost out by a large majority; and the Democrats rolled up an enormous vote for President Roosevelt, whose "New Deal" has been incessantly and bitterly attacked by the Hearst publications and broadcasting stations.

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# The Life Story of Toyohiko Kagawa

A Japanese Student Who Has Become a Leading Figure in a Peaceful International Revolution



By HELEN TOPPING  
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By arrangement with the publishers who hold the copyright, we commence publication in this issue, of the story of the life of Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, one of the most vital personalities in the world today and a leader in the struggle for a new social order based on co-operative principles. The biography will be published as a serial in successive issues of *The Western Farm Leader*.

Dr. Kagawa is now on tour in North America. He has already spoken to approximately half a million persons in nearly a hundred cities, including Montreal, Ottawa, Belleville, Hamilton, Owen Sound, Toronto, Guelph, London and Chatham, where he concluded his Canadian speaking engagements this evening. On June 27th to 29th a great continental conference will be held at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, where he will speak for the last time on the occasion of his visit to America.

A recent incident at Rochester, N.Y., was of unusual interest. So powerful had been Kagawa's advocacy of co-operation elsewhere, that the reactionary board in control of a building owned by a fraternal order in Rochester announced that permission for him to address

## CHAPTER I.

**K**AGAWA was an orphan at four. His father and his mother both were dead, and the father's legal wife was bringing him up, and hating him. Over and over again, while she cared for him, she would say, "You are the son of my enemy." The grandmother for a while beat him every day, and the other children took their cue from the grownups. When a little girl in the neighborhood got hurt and nobody knew how or why it had happened, it was blamed on him as a matter of course. He didn't eat for two whole days, and then gathered up his pennies and took them to the parents of the little girl in an effort to make amends for a thing he had never done. He said he did not want to live there any more.

His home was in the open country. His guardians showed mercy and let him go into the near-by small city to live in the home of his uncle, where his older brother had preceded him. Here he continued attending school, and at eleven was sent also to a Buddhist temple. The Buddhist priests taught him Confucian precepts. "Be a saint. Be a gentleman," they said. Kagawa wanted to be a saint and a gentleman with all the fervor of his childish heart, but he was afraid he never could attain to that status, not only because they had given him that impression, but also because there was no saint and no gentleman anywhere near for him to imitate—not among the Buddhist priests and certainly not among the members of his own household.

At fourteen he was thinking, way beyond his years, about the tragic state of the whole world as he had found it, longing to do something about it, yet fearful he never could. He feared he was caught in a vicious circle that he could not break. Then a missionary invited him into an English Bible class. Kagawa asked his oldest brother's permission for his brother was his legal guardian. The brother said: "Christianity is a traitor's religion. You are never allowed to become a Christian in this country. But English is necessary for an educated man, so you may join the class, especially since it's an unusual opportunity to learn to speak it with the foreigner's own pronunciation."

Kagawa joined the class. Then the character of Christ, of whom he had never heard before, began to unfold before him as the saint and the gentleman he had been looking for. Just at that time his brother died. He looked back on his brother's



DR. KAGAWA

life with the more profound sadness because it had been characterized by nothing except the wrong sort of behavior. He contrasted this with the life of Christ, and began to do his own thinking.

The missionary went off on a summer vacation, and gave the boys a number of Bible verses to memorize. I doubt if any of the others in the class learned them, because it is so difficult to memorize in a language entirely different from one's own, but Kagawa was desperately in earnest, and he got those verses. He tells us what they were—Luke 12:27-31. Memorizing does something to you, and Kagawa says: "I discovered my Father in heaven, and in me." He began to turn all his terrific anxiety about the state of the world, and his own possible future relation ship to it, into prayer.

For seven months he prayed to be made like Christ. In Japan, we don't have tables and chairs and bedsteads. You take off your shoes when you go into the house, and sit on the floor, eat on the floor, and sleep on the floor. All that Kagawa had when he started to go to bed at night was a couple of thick comforters—half way between comforter and mattress. He would pull them out of the cupboard and spread one below and one above and wriggle himself in between, and there for seven months, in that very anti-Christian household, he was praying to be made like Christ.

After seven months came the turn

a meeting in the building would be withdrawn unless assurances were given that he "would not speak on any controversial issue or refer to the co-operative movement."

The outcome was unexpected and dramatic. Learning of the ban, more than 7,000 persons immediately applied for tickets for the meeting, and the Federation of Churches, with popular support, forced the board to live up to its agreement, with the understanding that the Federation would take responsibility for what Dr. Kagawa said. The meeting was held, and many thousands were unable to gain admission, so great were the crowds who flocked to the hall.

Dr. Kagawa characterized as "ignorant" those ministers who failed to "project their Christianity into economic lines." He predicted the reorganization of economic life on a co-operative basis, declaring that "farmers have already embraced the co-operative doctrine with enthusiasm."

The opening chapters of our serial deal with Kagawa's early life and his religious development. Later the biographer describes the devoted labors in the economic field of the inspiring genius of the co-operative movement in Japan.

of the year, the first of January, when every Japanese child becomes a year older. Kagawa was now fifteen. He went back to the mission to borrow for you to be baptized, by now?" another book. He was reading Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" in a foreign language. The missionary stopped him, asking, "Kagawa, don't you believe in God by this time?" "Yes," he said.

"Are you calling me a coward? All right, I want to be baptized."

"But where?" It was true that he wanted to be baptized, but also, no Japanese boy will ever let you call him a coward! So in two weeks' time he was in church and teaching a Sunday school class.

(Next Chapter: Kagawa in a Japanese City Slum.)

## Movement for Citizens' Defence Established

Developing out of the Regina Relief Camp marchers' cases, a Citizens' Defence Movement has now been established with committees in almost every large centre in Canada, to give assistance to the youths directly affected.

As the 24 cases arose directly out of action taken by the police under Section 98 of the Criminal Code, the defence movement is linked up with a nation-wide effort to bring about the repeal of this section, which controversies among other essential principles of British Justice the principle that an accused person is considered innocent until he is proven guilty. It provides that he must be considered guilty until he is proved innocent.

A conference to press for repeal of the obnoxious section held in Calgary recently was attended by representatives of trades unions, ministers of religion, five political parties, teachers, youth organizations, organized farmers and other bodies. The delegates were united in the demand for repeal, and went on record as eager to assist financially and morally in the defence of the boys on trial at Regina. A further resolution asked all organizations represented to donate 2 cents

## SHORT GRASS STOCK GROWERS

The Short Grass Stock Growers' Association was organized at a meeting in the south-east of the Province. George Ross, Harry Minor, L. B. Thompson, P. H. Gilchrist and L. N. Laidlaw are a committee to draft by-laws which will be submitted to a general meeting in Medicine Hat on May 27th.

Mr. Priestley spent the first two days of this week in Edmonton, visiting the Edmonton Office of the U.F.A. at 1-2 Imperial Bank Building in that city.

per member or where this is not possible to set up committees to receive donations.

The Citizens' Defence Movement was made a permanent organization, J. C. Cosgrove of Calgary being elected president and J. Gerry of Edmonton vice-president, headquarters being established at 511 Maclean Block, Calgary.

"We would appeal to people in all points in Alberta to set up committees, to form an organization for defence of our civil rights and for democracy," states President Cosgrove. "Ours is an organization entirely non-political and does not interfere with anyone's religious or other beliefs."

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## The United Farm Women.

A Greeting from Mrs. Spencer to the Readers of *The Western Farm Leader*

## Co-operation Between Agencies Working Towards a Common Goal

Warwick Farm,  
Edgerton, Alberta.

Dear Farm Women:

No doubt I shall be greeting many old friends, but I can at once comfort them by telling them I am not to be a steady company. Almost all of you will no doubt agree that while it may be pleasant to meet an old friend, it is equally desirable to meet new ones and to get new points of view. However, I shall probably be given an opportunity of greeting you from time to time along with others.

As with every other venture, no doubt this paper will be started with a mingling of hopes and fears, of good wishes and antagonism or indifference. To some it will seem an unnecessary duplication and to others it will be a most timely production. How our viewpoint varies, and how sure so many of us are that ours is the right one!

## Things We Take for Granted

Probably few of us realize just how important a part the papers play in our lives. They are so much a part of our life that we take them for granted and hardly realize we have gone outside ourselves for the information that colors our opinions. What the poet Crabbe said of newspapers several generations ago is equally true today:

"To you all readers turn and they can look.  
Pleased at a paper who abhor a book.  
Those who ne'er deigned their Bible  
to peruse  
Would find it hard to be denied  
their News."

Probably at no time was there greater need nor greater opportunity for obtaining reliable information than there is today. We are at such a particularly vital time in the world's history and events are moving so rapidly that ignorance and indifference are not only regrettable, they are criminal, and the paper of any kind which plays on the ignorance and the prejudices of people is worse than a nuisance, it is a menace.

Particularly at a time when nerves are tightened from the long strain to which so many people have been subjected, when emotions and passions can be more easily stirred, it is the more necessary that we try to avail ourselves of all the information we can get that is tolerant, that is truthful, and that will stir us out of ourselves to the urgency of the pressing social

needs of the day. Any sincere effort that is being made to further the cause of justice and truth should be welcomed and is deserving of our support. Any attempt to weaken the efforts already being made can but be deplored.

## Two Responsibilities

Any paper which attempts to serve any particular part or any particular people of a community has two responsibilities. It has the responsibility of keeping its readers aware of what is happening, particularly in the branch of work to which it is devoting itself, and in addition it has the responsibility of expressing the needs and wants of that part or that people. To justify its existence it should work to the end of a greater co-operation with all other agencies working to a common goal. We realize we are long past the stage in history when any community, any calling, can live to itself. We are every day made to realize that the people of the whole world are bound together by common ties and what affects one, affects all.

As we all have our own particular personal needs, so each group or occupation has its own peculiar needs and problems, but we can never lose sight of the greater degree of community of interests we have. As farm people we have particular problems we must solve before we can make our best contribution to the life of the country. However, it is only when we try to find the mutual interests of our needs instead of spending our time looking for the differences that we can put our most enthusiastic efforts into the united work that must be done to make our social machinery work for the benefit of all.

When the paper keeps all these ideas in mind, surely it has done its part. Ours—the part of reading what has been prepared and thinking it over—may seem very slight. However, at this season of the year that sometimes seems easier said than done, for the work calls most urgently; the house work, the garden and the chickens all seem most insistently demanding on our time. It calls very often for a real effort, but an effort that is necessary and is worth while.

May the paper accomplish all that it hopes in its efforts to be of real service and may we exert the effort!

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## The Significance of Good Will Day

By Mrs. LOTTA J. FULTON,  
U.F.W.A. Director for Bow River

In greeting you for the first time through the columns of this new paper, I would like to bring your attention to the steady growth of the movement known as "World Good Will Day."

In the picturesque "House of the Woods" near The Hague, in the Netherlands, the first gathering in the time of peace to settle international differences by peaceful methods was held on May 18th, 1899.

In 1923 the World Federation of Education Associations recommended to all nations that the anniversary of this day be set apart as Goodwill Day.

Every school should join in this observance, so that there may be a concerted effort on World Goodwill Day to help to create in the mind of youth, an attitude of goodwill towards all nations that will be carried over into adult life. The practice of letter writing by school children of this country to school children of many other countries, expressing their aims and ideals, is to be highly commendable.

## Not a Mere Wishful Attitude

"Goodwill" is a positive thing. "Goodwill" is not merely a wishful attitude of mind such as we express on cards at Christmas and New Year's and then forget all about it, but is an active and aggressive attitude which is determined to accomplish results. It will cost something in effort and sacrifice. The song of the angels at the birth of Jesus was: "Peace on Earth among men of Good Will," the inference being that peace was not just going to happen but was to be brought about by good willed people.

President Roosevelt's Good Neighbor policy is based on this idea of Good Will among nations, and he is urging the practice of it on Pan-American and holding out the olive branch to European and Asiatic countries. That policy is now becoming an organized Good Neighbor

movement in the United States. It has for its objective the creation of an attitude of mind which recognizes justice and right as superior to the propaganda: "My Country first, whether right or wrong."

**Against Economic Exploitation**  
"Good Will" also cuts across the practical exploitation of human beings by our present economic system, which has an interest in them only when it can make a profit out of them. There was more Good Will in the Old Feudalism which at least provided for its peons (without charity).

This conception of Good Will, once adopted by our U.F.W.A., W.C.T.U., Canadian Clubs, Daughters of the Empire, Institutes and other study and welfare organizations, would present an ideal worthy of a strenuous and continuous educational campaign. For after all education must be the "pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night," to lead the people out into the land of economic as well as political liberty.

"Good Will" education is essential if The Hague Peace Conferences are to be more than a debating club, or the League of Nations is to be more than a Jockey Club where each nation places its own interests first, or if the World Court is to be anything more than an arbiter of "Property Rights" vs. "Human Rights."

Public sentiment rules the World, and Good Will Education must create and arouse the sentiment that will make politicians and capitalists put Humanity First.

In conclusion, remember the late King George's last message: "May the spirit of Good Will and mutual helpfulness grow and spread. Then it will bring not only the blessing of peace, but a solution of the economic troubles which beset us."

## Activities of U.F.W.A. Locals

Okotoks U.F.W.A. are enjoying the book reviews and the bulletins sent out from Central Office.

Mrs. Fairy Walker, president of Cayley U.F.W.A., plans to drive four young people from the district to the Junior Conference.

With the aid of the U.F.A. and Juniors, Craigmyle U.F.W.A. has bought a small building for a rest room; it will be used also for meetings.

Although the roads were very bad, Arbor Park U.F.W.A. mustered eleven strong for the meeting held at Mrs. Chris Beck's.

Three Hills U.F.W.A. invite the young girls of the district to a sewing meeting every month, and they are now sewing on a layette for the Needy Mothers' Fund.

Grand Meadow U.F.W.A. sell house plants each year on the Saturday before Mothers' Day; they find a ready sale for them at a substantial profit. They assisted Excelsior Juniors at a tea and sale of work on May 9th.

"Interest is just as keen as ever and we hope to have a good year," writes Mrs. Will Lyons, secretary of Hazel Bluff U.F.W.A., at Westlock. They hold afternoon meetings each month, and also meet monthly with the U.F.A. members, in the evening.

At the 205th meeting of Starline U.F.W.A., Mrs. C. Curtis read Mrs. Ross's bulletin, and Mrs. Geo. Lepard read Mrs. Wyman's book review. Both were greatly enjoyed. The Local presented a beautiful gift to Mrs. F. Johnson, a bride and a former secretary of the Local.

Last year Utopia U.F.W.A. (Fish-

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**PLAN CONFERENCE**

Plans are being made for a U.F.W.A. Conference for the district to be held in Three Hills within the next few weeks. We expect to give further news on the matter in our next issue.

**KEEN INTEREST**

Mrs. Fulton, of Aeme, U.F.W.A. director for Bow River, and Mrs. Cora J. Kerns, recently addressed farm women's meetings at Carstairs and Swalwell, at which keen interest was shown. Mrs. Fulton spoke on organization and Mrs. Kerns on horticulture.

burn) had 13 members, and increased their funds nearly 50 per cent over the previous year. At the annual meeting, postponed on account of severe weather and sickness among the members, Mrs. Cyril Hockstein, Mrs. Geo. Cummins and Mrs. W. Upton were elected officers. The latter writes: "We are sorry *The United Farmer* paper has been stopped and hope that we may have some means of getting information such as it contained."



**A Nation-Wide Congress of Canadian Youth**

By Miss WINNIFRED ELLSTON,  
Assistant Secretary of the U.F.W.A.

THE interest of youth organizations all across Canada today is centered on the Canadian Youth Congress to be held at Ottawa on May 23rd, 24th and 25th. This Youth Congress, initiated jointly by The League of Nations Society in Canada and The Canadian Youth Council, is being called by a committee of national youth organizations to bring together young people of all opinions, from all over Canada:

- (1) For free discussion of our common problems;
- (2) To clarify our attitude on national and international affairs;
- (3) To take part in the nomination of a Canadian delegation to the World Youth Congress at Geneva called by the International Federation of League of Nations Societies;
- (4) To lay the foundation for action and progress by the youth of Canada in common with the youth of other nations.

**Drawn From Geneva Agenda**

The agenda for the Canadian Youth Congress has been drawn from the agenda for the World Youth Congress at Geneva in September under the general head: "Policies for Canadian Youth." Discussion will be directed to include—"Canadian Youth and World Peace in Relation to the British Empire"; "Canadian Youth and World Peace in Relation to The League of Nations"; "Youth in the Canadian Economy—Employment—Education"; "What Can Youth Do?—A Peace Policy for Canada—Social Legislation for Youth." The common opinion arrived at on these subjects will provide the foundation for expression of Canada's delegation to the World Congress of Youth at Geneva in September.

The initiating committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. T. W. L. MacDermot, whose office is located at 92 Adelaide Street West, Toronto, has been enlarged to include representatives from many national youth organizations, including the Young Men's Christian Association; Young Canada Clubs; Anglican Young People's Association; Roman Catholic Church; League of Nations Society; Rover Scouts; Young Men's Hebrew Association; Christian Commonwealth Youth Movement of Canada; Twentieth Century Liberal Association; Junior Board of Trade; United Young People's Society; Young Communist League; Presbyterian Young People's Society; Young Women's Christian Association; Student Peace Movement; Co-operative Commonwealth Youth Movement; Canadian Youth Council; Boys K. Clubs.

**Truly National Congress**

The system of district organization



MISS WINNIFRED ELLSTON

is being employed to make possible a truly national Congress. In order to achieve a nation-wide representation, the National Committee decided to set up sub-committees across Canada. The activity of these sub-committees include matters of publicity, finance and local conferences, etc., with the guidance and assistance of the National Committee. There are sub-committees set up in Alberta at Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge, while one representative has been appointed at each of the following places—Cereal, Medicine Hat, Huxley, Ponoka, Camrose and Alix.

In Edmonton the committee has already arranged and successfully held a conference and a mass meeting. Reports from Lethbridge indicate that plans are well under way to finance at least one delegate to the Congress. In Calgary committees have been set up and a financial and publicity campaign launched. Plans are under way for a mass meeting.

All local youth organizations are urged to send their own delegates. The National Committee felt that any cohesive body, whether or not formally organized, and whether or not part of a larger organization, ought to have representation at the Congress, also that major or parent bodies should have representation even though groups within it are represented. Group representation is provisionally limited to two voting delegates per group, regardless of the number in the group. There is

**Farm Young People's Week**

Farm Young People's Week will be held at the University of Alberta from June 10th to 16th. An appeal for funds to assist in meeting the costs of attendance of young people of the Association has been issued to all Locals of the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A., and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance at the Conference this year.

Wilfrid Hoppins, President of the Junior U.F.A., gave radio address on the Conference over station CFCN, on Thursday of this week, and on Thursday next, May 23rd, Miss Margaret Archibald, Junior Vice-President, will speak over the same station at 9:30 p.m.

It is hoped that every Junior Local will send a delegate or visitor. In addition to lectures on such subjects as Nature Study, Field Work in Botany, Geology, Entomology, there are courses in dramatics, folk dancing, literature, history, photography, and special classes for girls in household economics. The public speaking contest, handicrafts, grain judging contests are other features. Registration fee is \$1; board for the week \$10, from which the registration fee is deducted.

no limit to the number of observing delegates. Delegates are to be financed in the first place by their district and organization delegates by their own groups. Advantageous rates have been secured from railroads of one cent per mile. Delegates from Ottawa and near centres will pay a small surcharge to assist the general pool for travelling expenses. Billeting and feeding are being arranged for by an Ottawa Committee.

**What Will You Do?**

If you are interested in the problems facing youth today—and of necessity you must be—what can, or will you do to contribute to this Canadian Youth Congress? It is so easy to acusingly state that the youth of today are not alive to the issues that must be faced and the problems that are theirs to solve, but are you helping them find a solution to their difficulties? Are you helping them to move steadily forward? There is a splendid article in the March-April issue of the *Youth Forum*, a little magazine published by the Canadian Youth Council, which could well be quoted. It is written under the caption "Congress at Ottawa is Challenge to Youth".

"Gigantic forces in conflict on the world scene again threaten the existence of the generation of youth who are the disillusioned heirs of 1914-18. Again youth is challenged by the task—by the magnificent opportunity—of maintaining peace. WE DARE NOT FAIL!"

"The World Youth Congress scheduled for Geneva in September, is now thrown into bold relief. We, the youth of all lands, of every race and creed, of whatever status or affiliation, are summoned in the name of humanity, of civilization, to free ourselves of prejudice and fear and to find in understanding our mutual problems the only possible basis for Freedom and Progress—to forge one

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**HOW IT BEGAN** *By Paul F. Berdanier*

**BEACH COMBER**

THIS NAME FOR A WHITE IDLER IN THE SOUTH SEAS, WHO HANGS AROUND THE PORT PICKING UP ANYTHING THAT COMES HIS WAY, IS A COMPARISON TO A LONG ROLLING WAVE, CALLED A "BEACH COMBER," WHICH PICKS UP LOOSE OBJECTS ON THE BEACH AND DRAGS THEM BACK INTO THE WATER.

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To Represent Canadian Youth

"In Ottawa, the nation's capital, the nation's youth will meet to consider our problems, to formulate a program and to select and instruct delegates who will truly represent the whole of Canadian youth to the youth of the world.

"It is the responsibility of every Canadian young man and young woman worthy of citizenship to ensure that every voice be heard in Ottawa without fear of distrust of any, secure in our common ideal, our common determination for the success of the consecrated search for youth for Peace, Freedom and Progress. (N.L.)"

The youth of Canada are taking up the challenge. Who will dare to say what is the limit of the powers of youth—united?

**Junior News Items**

Asker Juniors put on a play, "Look Out, Lizzie," very successfully, clearing \$34.75.

Over two hundred people paid at the door to see "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" put on by Alix Juniors, and a good number also stayed to the dance which followed.

### THE DARK SPOT

"The dark spot is agriculture," declared Hon. C. A. Dunning, in his budget speech. Last year it suffered climatic hazards, continued restricted markets and low prices, he said. The total farm revenue in 1935 was \$948,081,000, an increase of less than one per cent over the previous year, but most disappointing was the 8 per cent drop in the value of the principal field crops, chiefly as a result of the price factor.

### DOMINION BUDGET

Features of the budget introduced by Hon. C. A. Dunning in the House of Commons this month were: sales tax increased from 6 to 8 per cent; maximum automobile excise tax set at 5 per cent if value exceeds \$650, up to maximum of \$250; corporation income tax increased from 13-1/2 to 15 per cent; duty on farm implements cut from 12-1/2 to 7-1/2 per cent; gasoline import tax reduced to 1 cent a gallon; excise duty on Canadian brandy reduced to \$3 a gallon; customs duty on automobiles fixed at 17-1/2 per cent flat; customs exemptions of \$100 set for tourists purchased in the U.S.; 104 tariff items reduced and 12 increased; no change in personal income tax rates.

Mr. Dunning estimated a deficit of "less, than \$100,000,000." The over-all deficit for the last fiscal year he estimated at \$162,191,000. Revenues were \$273,100,000, an increase of \$10,220,000, and expenditures for all purposes were \$534,291,000.

Little Henry, while at a neighbor's, was given a piece of bread and butter, and he politely said "Thank you."

"That's right, Henry," said the lady. "I like to hear little boys say 'Thank you.'"

"Well," remarked Henry, "if you want to hear me say it again, you might put some jelly on it."

music being supplied by the Junior U.F.A. orchestra.

Lauderdale Juniors were organized this spring, near Castor, with Ralph Baird and Alfred Fuller as officers.

"Resolved that steel is more useful than wood" was debated by Bluebird Juniors (Vermilion) recently. These young people are planning to take a course in first aid work.

At the third meeting of Fairview Juniors, organized this spring by Mrs. Stong, there were 26 paid-up members, and 13 others signed the roll. Josephine Bailey is the president and Lloyd C. French the secretary.

Leduc Jolly Junior Local meets every two weeks; for their social evenings they have dances, whilst parties and this spring they had a bean supper and April Fool party. The educational program comprises debates and discussions on timely subjects. They raise funds through the dances, and are also raffling a quilt, hoping to provide for an outing for all the members to a lake as well as sending a delegate to the Junior Conference.

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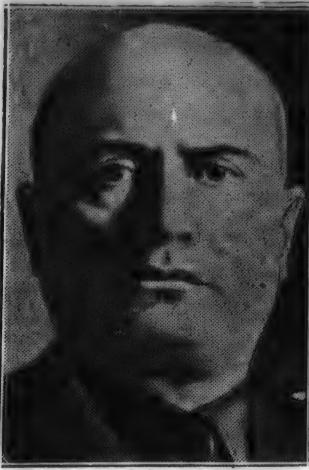
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"Ethiopia Is Italian"



The most recent portrait of Premier Mussolini, taken in Rome just before the final drive and victory of the Italian troops in Ethiopia. "Ethiopia is Italian," Mussolini said, "thousands of men, women and children assembled in front of the Palazzo Venezia in Rome."

### Condemn Private Manufacture of Weapons of War

U.S. Senate Munitions Committee Call for Government Ownership — Bribery of Munitioneers

WASHINGTON, May 13th.—Convinced regulation of munitions making by privately owned corporations was impossible, the U.S. Senate Munitions Committee, after an enquiry lasting two years, have recommended government ownership and operation of plants to manufacture war supplies. This report was agreed to by four of the seven members of the Committee, one Republican and three Democrats, while one Democrat and two Republicans dissented.

The following quotations from the report will give an idea of its tenor: "Almost without exception, the American munitions companies have at times resorted to such unusual approaches, questionable favors and commissions, and methods of 'doing the needful,' as to constitute in effect a form of bribery of officials or their close friends in order to secure business."

Munitions makers had "had the active support of the War, Navy and Commerce Departments, and even the State Department, in making sales abroad."

"Throughout the World War, the munitions companies insisted on their pound of flesh and did not let patriotism stand in the way of profits."

Methods of the munitions makers were "highly unethical, a disgrace to American business and a reflection upon those American governmental agencies which have unwittingly aided in the transactions so contaminated."

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Brown: "Well, they haven't given much honey, but they have stung my mother-in-law twice."

the past few days, with local print market declining a further 1c per pound, effective Monday, May 11th. So far no change has been made in the price of churn cream, but a decline is expected within the course of the week. Cream volume has increased rapidly during the past two weeks. Churn cream is based on 19c for special grade, delivered Calgary. City milk is \$1.95 per hundred for 3.6 butterfat; table cream 27c.

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Net profits of the C.P.R. during the first three months of this year were \$2,827,703, an increase of \$762,008 over those of the same period in 1935.

What's Doing  
at CFAC?

## SPORTS COMMENTATOR

With the English Soccer season over for a few months, CFAC's Saturday quarter-hour at 1:15 p.m., dedicated to the Old Country football fans, resolves itself into the summer offering of Old Country Sport News. Pat Freeman, who is known far and wide as the O. C. Football Reporter, will continue the weekly feature with the inside of the sporting events across the water, paying particular notice to PAT FREEMAN the forthcoming Olympic Games in Germany and the part played by the British entries in this classic of the amateur sport world. As well, Pat will keep his listeners posted on the English cricket, the international golf and tennis matches and interesting tid-bits of Old Country sports and sportsmen.



The approach of summer brings with it the usual changes of broadcasting schedules. CFAC offers some new afternoon features, taking the place of the University Extension broadcasts over the Foothills Network. 1:30 will bring a half-hour Siesta of quiet, restful music, not even interrupted by the sonorous tones of the announcer. However, the Two-o'clock Show will provide a peppy pick-me-up of the more popular variety, followed at 2:30 by Words and Music, thirty minutes of the best that the title implies—Famous Singers and Their Songs. The 4:30 Tea Dance will feature the dance orchestras of the NBC studios, brought to the CFAC air-lanes through the medium of the Thesaurus transcription service.

**Farmers, keep in touch with your markets through CFAC—** grain prices 7:43 and 11:40 a.m.; closing markets 12:40 p.m.; and follow the general news of the day—1:54 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m., and the "Monitor Views the News" at 10:30 p.m. Women's Magazine of the Air at 11 a.m. daily, of interest to all farm women.

Glyndwr Jones, famed Calgary baritone soloist and only Canadian vocalist to hold the Royal Academy award of the F.R.A.M. degree, will be a feature presentation from the Commission's Calgary studios on Wednesday, May 20th and May 27th at 9:00 p.m. On the 20th Mr. Jones will offer this program of selections:

"Art Thou Troubled" — Handel. "There is a Ladye" — Winnifred Bury. "Home on the Range" — Arranged by Guion. "Old Mother Hubbard" — Arranged in the manner of Handel by Victor Hutchingson.

The Wednesday mid-week organ program, Mosaic Serenade, over CFAC in Calgary, has changed its broadcast time for the summer months to 10 p.m. Mosaic Serenade will continue to feature the organ melodies of Josephine Chamberlain, and a guest soloist, Mr. Richard Sehorn, prominent Calgary violinist, will be heard on the weekly half-hour during the next few weeks.

In Calgary, the police department has ceased investigating weird noises in the misty stillness of the night. By experience they have found that it is just some ardent "Tarzan of the Apes" fan practising the Tarmangany call which introduces this daily feature over CFAC at 12:25 noon.

## SPORT



By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Paradoxical as it may sound, it's those guys who stick their noses in the air that generally put their foot in it.

Wally, our incurable bachel., tells us that the fellow who said promises are like pie crusts—made to be broken, had never tried his teeth on a bride's first attempt.

## OH, THOSE PRINTERS.

"Despite her five children, despite public sympathy, despite the attitude of judge and jury, Mrs. Waddington was duly hanged in the SUMMER prescribed by law." —From the *Calgary Albertan*. Most unkind, we calls it. They might at least have waited until the WINTER of her discontent.

We see by the papers that Calgary has been having a series of hold-ups. Maybe some of the boys have just got tired of waiting for their \$25-a-month dividends.

Another thing that puzzles us is, if a comic columnist were really too funny for words, how in heck would he be able to write?

## REVISED VERSION

Lives of girlies oft remind us  
Dates with them would be  
sublime  
If they'd only take the trouble  
Now and then to be on time.

Lil Goldilocks, our office vamp:  
"Pooh! All men are fools."  
Knotty Frankie: "Nunno, dearie,  
quite a lot of 'em ain't married."

Nunno, Algernon, when two Poles  
many that isn't a wooden wedding.

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Nevertheless, it cannot be denied  
that many a woman becomes a  
little hoarse just because she's a  
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Postcard from the Bad Egg of  
Crow's Nest informs us that court-  
ship consists of a man running after  
a woman until she has caught him.

## WHY THERE ARE COLUMNISTS

A laugh is just like sunshine; it  
freshens all the day,  
It tips the peak of life with light,  
and drives the clouds away.  
The soul grows glad that hears it,  
and feels its courage strong;  
A laugh is just like sunshine for  
cheering folks along. —Tubby.

And Chuck of Chuckawalla dropped  
in yesterday to tell us that fate  
may be life's fiddler, but it's the  
gals who make us dance.

Lissen fellows, next month will  
be June and a lot of guys will be  
just crazy to get married, but they  
won't know it till afterwards.

## ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

Our office Cynic says the shortage  
of honest politicians won't matter  
very much as long as the shortage  
of money continues.

## DOWN, FIDO, DOWN!

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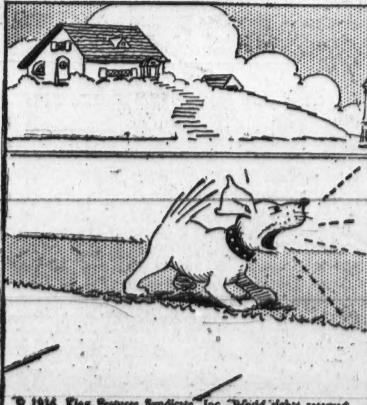
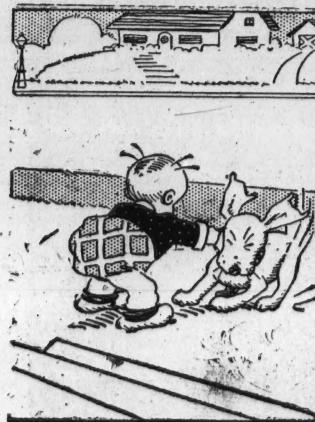
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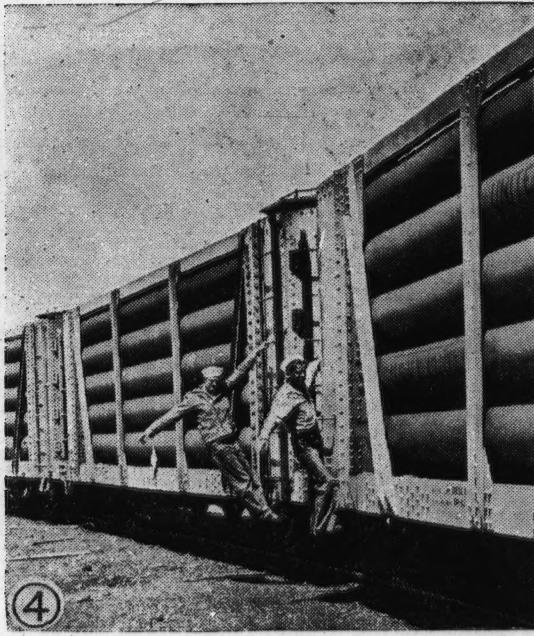
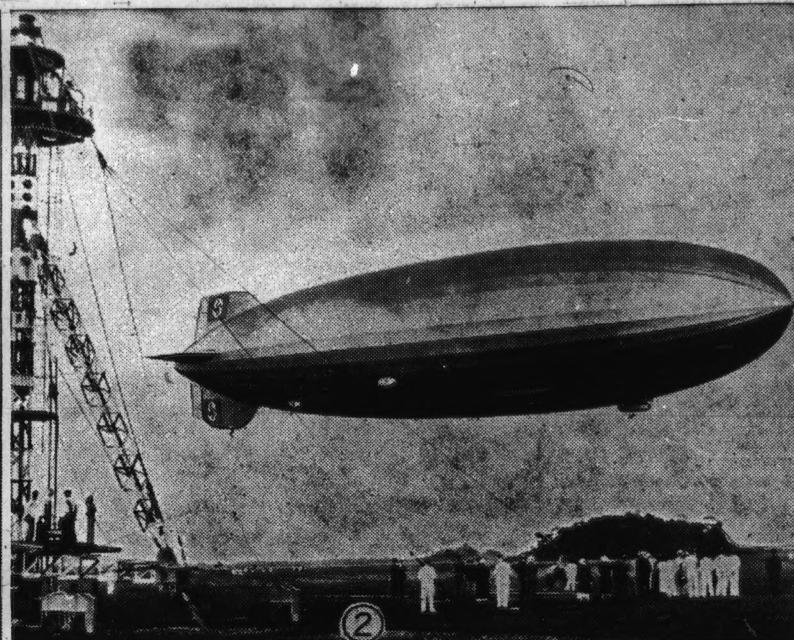
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## PICTURES OF CURRENT NEWS INTEREST

**Giant Zeppelin, "Hindenburg," Makes Record Trip Across the Atlantic**



The world's largest airship, the *Hindenburg*, on Saturday completed its first flight across the North Atlantic, having covered the distance from Friedrichshafen, Germany, to Lakehurst, N.J., in just under 62 hours—creating a record for lighter-than-air craft. The average speed on the journey was 71.3 miles an hour, the maximum 93 miles. The return trip was commenced on Tuesday morning. Nearly seventeen years ago the British dirigible, the *R34*, made the first

crossing by a ship of this type, in 1919, having encountered heavy gales off Newfoundland. Dr. Hugo Eckener is shown in (1). He is regarded as the world's greatest authority on airships, has been in command of most of Germany's Zeppelins, and first brought the *Graf Zeppelin* across the Atlantic in 1928. This spring, following his refusal to issue a statement supporting Hitler in the German elections, orders were given by the Nazi leader that Eckener's

name was not to be mentioned in news despatches regarding aerial navigation; and he was removed from command of the *Hindenburg*. However, the veteran did not seem to be at all worried as he waved a greeting to the crowd assembled at Lakehurst from the control cabin of the ship. (2) shows the *Hindenburg*, 813 feet long, preparing to moor at Rio de Janeiro after its trip across the South Atlantic in April. It carries 50 passengers and a crew of 40.

Captain Ernest Lehmann, commander, is shown in (3):

In (4) are shown tank cars of helium arriving at Lakehurst to replace the hydrogen with which the ship was filled on its outward bound journey.

Lady Wilkins, who, with her husband Sir Hubert Wilkins, noted explorer, was a passenger on the ship, is shown in (5).

At six a.m. on Wednesday, the *Hindenburg* was within 600 miles of Land's End, on the return trip.